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Leopold Werner Kepplinger, et al. Date: December 7, 2006  
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For: METHOD FOR REDUCING A PARTICULATE MATERIAL CONTAINING A  
METAL, ESPECIALLY IRON ORE

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VIA EFS-WEB

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8**

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Respectfully submitted,



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